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Ms. Kathleen M. Roberts
Hydrogen Fluoride Industry
Practices Institute
c/o Collier, Shannon, Rill & Scott
3050 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20007

Dear Ms. Roberts:

This acknowledges our receipt of your June 4, 1998 letter, submitted on behalf of the Hydrogen Fluoride Industry Practices Institute (HFIPI), requesting amendments of 49 CFR 172.101 Hazardous Materials Table, 178.245-1(b), 178.245-2 and 178.245-3 to require that hydrogen fluoride be transported in DOT 51 portable tanks meeting certain additional requirements and to remove authorization for use of IM 101 portable tanks.

Your letter has been accepted as a petition for rulemaking under 49 CFR 106.31 and assigned number, P-1362. Should you write to us regarding this petition, please make reference to this petition number.

Sincerely,

Hattie L. Mitchell
Chief, Regulatory Review and Reinvention
Office of Hazardous Materials Standards